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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to weak. No sales was reported. Demand was very light with limited interest noted for January. Parts and meats trading was slow to moderate. The market tone was generally steady. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was slow to moderate. Demand was limited, however increased interest was noted for orders post holiday. Offerings were adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **DECEMBER 28, 2006**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	68-70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

Week Ending December 29, 2006	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	Month of December	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	SAME MONTH YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	69.00**	70.75	74.63**	EASTERN REGION	74.20	99.51	82.60
CENTRAL REGION	69.00**	71.50	74.50**	CENTRAL REGION	73.73	99.39	82.26
WESTERN REGION	69.00**	70.00	74.63**	WESTERN REGION	73.28	99.54	82.86
16-24 LB TOMS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	69.00**	70.40**	73.13**	EASTERN REGION	73.58	98.99	80.64
CENTRAL REGION	69.00**	70.30**	72.63**	CENTRAL REGION	73.65	99.23	80.38
WESTERN REGION	69.00**	70.40**	73.13**	WESTERN REGION	72.95	99.21	80.71

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	112-121
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	112-121
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71 -94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	71 -94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	71 -94

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	120-135
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	120-135
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	120-135
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	120-135
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	120-135

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS-

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of January 01, 2007

Price (cents/lb.) Volume (lbs.)

PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	96.61	36,000
16-24 lbs.	96.00	5,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume: 56,000

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 23-Dec-2006 (Preliminary)

	<u>YOUNG</u>			<u>OLD</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>Pct Chg</u>	<u>Avg Live</u>		<u>Banded</u>		
<u>-Thousand Head-</u>	<u>Prev wk</u>	<u>wt</u>	<u>-Thousand Head-</u>	<u>Live wt</u>		
North East	736 -1	24.47	(A) 738		24.47	
South Atlantic	400 -45	33.73	(A) 402		33.73	
North Central	1,802 -15	32.13	(A) 1,804		32.13	
South Central	333 -57	14.04	(A) 335		14.04	
West	227 -45	23.81	(A) 228		23.81	
U.S. total	3,498(B) -27	28.43	9 3,507		28.43	
To-date						
2006	232,695(B)		226	232,921		
To-date						
2005	225,995(B)		211	226,206		

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 26,000; for the current year to date 1,382,000; for last year to date 1,235,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

November	463,450*
December 1 - 23, 2006	319,163*

To date 2006	5,208,543*
To date 2005	5,108,127*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG OLD</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>		
	<u>Thousands</u>				
W/E 23-Dec-2006					
Head	1,497	1,975	26	9	3,507
Avg Wt	15.88	37.99	26.14	24.03	28.43
Last week	2,117	2,655	22	12	4,806
Same wk yr ago	1,559	1,902	10	0	3,471
Avg Wt	16.53	39.71	28.61	0.00	29.27
To-date/2006	100,123	131,190	1,382	226	232,921
To-date/2005	93,676	131,084	1,235	211	226,206

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 28 DECEMBER 2006.

The market tone on tom 2-joint wings was mostly steady, balance of tom bulk parts steady to fully steady. Demand improved from earlier in the week and was light to moderate for both prompt and 2007 deliveries. The increased interest centered on fresh and frozen tom drums, mostly fresh for domestic and export shipments. Offerings mixed due to the short holiday processing schedules. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to barely. Demand light and disappointing to some when compared to the tom drum activity. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Trading was moderate on tom 2-joint wings for export, balance slow. For export: fresh -20% mechanically separated turkey 16, hen drums 32, fresh tom drums 41, fresh thigh meat 95 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	158.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	41.00		41.00	14
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		T	40.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	33.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00		34.00	14
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	45.00	20
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	52.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	83.00	20
NECKS, TOM	31.00		31.00	14
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	190.00		190.00	80
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	96.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	79.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT		W	79.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	173.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	16.25	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00		18.00	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00		39.00	40
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	50.00		50.00	520
TAILS	27.00		27.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	17.00	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	93.00		93.00	120

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		W	158.00	10	158.00	10
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00-41.00		40.63	98	40.08	212
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	34.50		34.50	40	37.25	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	32.00		32.00	6	32.87	46
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00		34.00	160	33.42	316
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	44.00		44.00	21	44.66	61
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	79.00		79.00	40	80.71	70
NECKS, TOM	27.00-32.00		30.84	77	30.87	91
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	185.00-190.00		186.13	320	187.92	500
THIGH MEAT	94.00-95.00		94.74	108	94.74	108
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	95.00-96.00		95.46	112	95.46	112
BREAST TRIM MEAT	77.00-84.00		77.73	67	77.73	67
SCAPULA MEAT	84.00		84.00	24	80.49	74
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	173.00	40	173.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	84.00		84.00	8	84.00	8
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	173.00-180.00		175.69	65	175.69	65
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	16.25	160		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	15.00-18.00		15.23	701	16.43	1036
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	44.00		44.00	458	43.60	498
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	33.00-34.00		33.50	80	33.50	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	50.00	520	50.00	520
TAILS	29.00		29.00	20	27.67	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00		17.00	108	17.00	108
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		R	93.00	120	93.00	120

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